*Delay in granting copies of judgments.*

341. **MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR**: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether copies of judgments when applied for by the accused sentenced to imprisonment by Second Class Magistrates are given to them on the dates on which judgments are pronounced , and

(*b*) if not, the maximum and minimum periods taken by such Magistrates for granting such copies ?

**MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI**: (*a*) Yes, except in very rare cases.

(b) The period for grant of copies ranges from 1 to 4 days.

**MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR**: May I know from the honourable member whether the Government are aware of the difficulties exprienced by convicted persons in not getting copies of the judgments ?

**MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI**: Sir, the information before Government is that copies of judgments are issued without delay. The provision of law is that copies should be issued without delay under Section 236, I believe.

**MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR**: May I know from the honourable member whether Government are aware that persons sentenced to imprisonment have to remain in jail because of this delay ?

**MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI**: Sir, no case of such inordinate delay has been brought to the notice of the Government.

*Memorials of the non-minimum piece workers.*

342. ***MR. M. G. MATTHEW** (*Karunagapally* cum *Kartikapally*): Will the Government be pleased to state, in view of the answers to question No. 152 in the Ninth Session of the first Sri Chitra State Council held on 17th March 1937 ;

(*a*) whether the report and recommendations of the Government Press Superintendent have been received by the Government on the memorial of the non-minimum piece-workers dated 29th Meenom 1111;

(*b*) if so, when were these recommendations received ?

**MR. C. O. MADHAVAN**: (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) . (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) on 19-2-1937.

**MR. K. T. THOMAS**: May I know whether any action has been taken by the Government on the recommendations submitted by the Superintendent ?

**MR. C. O. MADHAVAN**: Yes, Sir. Action has been taken and is being taken.

**MR. K. T. THOMAS**: May I know whether on the recommendations of the Press Superintendent, the Controller has been consulted by he Government ?

**MR. C. O. MADHAVAN**: Yes; a conference of the Chief Secretary with other officers was held. Reference had to be made to the Account Officer and the Press Superintendent.

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